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ADDENDUM

Since this manuscript was submitted Haustein has published observations on diseased skin which he interprets as revealing fibrinolytic activity of epidermal cells.* Our studies of injured skin and further studies using ultra violet irradiation suggest that epidermal cells inhibit fibrinolysis. Possibly both views may be correct, but to date fibrinolytic activity of epithelial cells has been seen only in pathology in which contamination by serum and excess tissue fluid coexists.

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